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Paul Describes Living by God's Spirit

Romans 8:9-17



Instructions: Use this stationery to help your child create a message about God by writing letters or words or by drawing pictures. Talk about the excitement of receiving mail from someone you love. Remind your child that Paul's letter about following Jesus is part of the Bible, God's message to us. *(For additional classroom instructions, see the Teacher Guide.)*



Teach your child how to accordion-fold a paper fan.

Let your child wave the fan gently in front of his or her face and feel the movement of the air. We can't see the air, but we can feel what it does. Remind your child that even

though the Holy Spirit is invisible, we can tell he is with us by what he does. When we do kind things such as helping others, we know it's because the Holy Spirit is helping us live for God.

ASK 🌀 What things has the Holy Spirit helped you do to live for God?

🌀 How do you feel when you show love to others?

Daily Challenge

Today kids committed to one of the following Daily Challenges.

Help your child weave faith into life this week and follow through on his or her challenge! (Have kids circle their choice below.)

- 🌀 Share your lunch with a friend at school and tell him or her that we can live for God.
- 🌀 Hug each of your family members and tell them that God wants us to live for him!
- 🌀 Help your mom or dad clean the kitchen one evening—and do it with a smile! Serving others is one way to live for God!

What I Learned Today...

Bible Story: In this week's Bible story (Romans 8:9–17), Paul describes the work of the Holy Spirit in turning us from self-centeredness to a new life as God's children. The Holy Spirit transforms us into people who willingly follow God's lead in serving others. In families and in classroom settings, children learn to rely on the leadership of others. Parents and teachers help them learn and mature. In a similar way, children can begin to recognize the Holy Spirit's leadership in helping them believe in Jesus and live for God.

Key Verse: "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved" (Acts 16:31a).

Prepare this recipe with your child, and then plan a time you can share it with a friend who is also learning to follow Jesus.

Berry Good Dip

- 8 ounces fresh or frozen strawberries, thawed
- 4 ounces low-fat cream cheese, softened
- ¼ cup reduced-fat sour cream
- 1 tablespoon sugar



Process the strawberries in a securely covered blender container until puréed. Beat the cream cheese in a small bowl until smooth. Let your child stir in the strawberries, sour cream, and sugar. Cover and chill in the refrigerator until serving time. Serve with fresh fruit or angel food cake cubes.

Help your child remember that Paul sent letters of encouragement and instruction to his friends. Help your child decorate a note for a friend who is learning to follow Jesus, and then deliver your treat together.